

January 2015 is National Radon Action Month. The Surgeon General and EPA urges everyone to test radon during National Radon Action Month



1888 Press Release - January is National Radon Action Month. Approximately 21,000 Americans lives are claimed each year from lung cancer due to radon. One in 15 homes contains high levels of radon. The American Lung Association, Centers for Disease Control and National Cancer Institute are in agreement that radon is a worldwide health problem and encourage radon testing during the "National Radon Action Month".

National Radon Action Month 2015

The National Radon Action Month program was developed because although homeowners cannot see, taste or smell radon, this toxic gas constitutes a serious public health risk. Radon exposure is ranked second only to smoking as a cause of lung cancer. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has responded to this risk with National Radon Action Month. Swat Environmental is giving out FREE Radon Test Kits to homeowners, visit <http://www.SWAT-Radon.com> or call 1-800-420-3881 to order your kit. Read on to find out more about National Radon Action Month and why it is so important. You can also go to RadonMonth.org for more information.

What is National Radon Action Month?

National Radon Action Month is a time to focus efforts on public education about the importance of testing and of getting more involved in efforts to help reduce this health risk. Homeowners are encouraged to test homes, attend events sponsored by the National Radon Action Month program and spread the word to friends and neighbors about the risk of radon exposure. January has been chosen as National Radon Action Month.

Why is National Radon Action Month Important?

National Radon Action Month is incredibly important because of the health risks that radon causes when people are exposed to it in the long term. National Radon Action Month raises awareness that radon is a colorless, odorless and tasteless gas that is radioactive and a known carcinogen. It occurs naturally throughout the United States and is a result of the decomposition of uranium ore in the rock, soil and water. When radon is breathed in, radioactive particles find their way into the lungs. As those particles decompose even further, the energy they release can damage lung tissue and lead in the long run to cancer development. For non-smokers in the United States, radon is the leading cause of lung cancer and claims around 21,000 lives each year.

The Environmental Protection Agency, along with other prominent health organizations like the Center for

Disease Control, the American Medical Association and the American Lung Association, has all classified radon exposure as a preventable health risk. Each of these agencies supports the National Radon Action Month protocol. National Radon Action Month is incredibly important because it is a concerted, concrete response to this widespread public health issue.

Testing During National Radon Action Month

Homeowners are strongly encouraged to test their homes during National Radon Action Month. This is the only way to discover if there are unsafe levels of this gas in their homes. The primary purpose of National Radon Action Month is to educate the public about the fact that testing is inexpensive and simple. The homeowner can test themselves with a DIY kit or hire a licensed professional to test for them. If radon levels are found to be unsafe, the National Radon Action Month program can also educate people on what they can do to fix this problem and reduce their exposure to this carcinogen.

In conclusion, National Radon Action Month is an important nation-wide program to encourage homeowners across the country to test their homes for radon and reduce exposure to this toxic gas. Getting involved in National Radon Action Month is easy, but it can save lives and improve the overall health of Americans.

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